To make good hay is quite as much an as to make good butter. It is not too much to say, that two-thirds of the hay which is sent to market either in bales or in wagons, is not of the first quality. As, however, the difference between first and second class hay is not generally understood by the consumer, the price varies but little between the one and the other. Yet it cannot be doubted, that one ton of hay properly harvested and properly cured contains an amount of nutriment equal to a ton and a half of hay cut at the wrong season, or subjected to detrioration by improper management. We will take that favorite hav. "Timothy," as an illustration, and we beg leave to say that our remarks upon Timothy will apply to all other grasses. Timothy, when brought to market, frequently varies from a light straw color to a dark fawn. In this condition, it is evident that a portion of its nutritious qualities have been lost. The proper time for cutting hay, as repeated experiments have proved, is at that period when the sugar and soluble matter contained in the stem and blade has reached the stage when by the next process, it would be converted into fibre. Now the period when the saccharine juices are most abundant, "is when thegrasse is in full bloom, and be fore the seed is formed. If cut at that time, the whole of the nutritive properties of the grass will be retained; if left until later, two results will ensuethe maturing of the seed will materially exhaust the land upon which it is grown, whilst the nutriment furnished by the seed will not compensate for the loss of nutriment in the stem and blade. In point of an acreable product, also, there is a manifest difference—the greatest wieght of grass and the largest amount of nutriment being furnished by the plant when in flower. That we are not exaggerating the importance of a due regard being paid to cutting hay at the proper season will be readily understood when we state that the best authoriles agree in this-"that plants of nearly all sorts if cut when in full vigor-which is at their flowering-and afterwards carefully dried, without any waste of their nutritive juices, contain nearly double the quantity of nutritive

wards decay." This fact being established, the next points requiring explanation are, what constitutes the land dame; so the parson dismounted, and havphilosophy of hay making, and what pro- ing seen his horse well cared for, entered the cess is most in conformity with it. First, then, as to the philosophy of hay making. It is thus cheerfully placed before him. For some time explained:

mucilage, starch, gluten, and sugar, which remarked upon the dryness of the season. are soluble matter, are alone retained in the body of an animal for the purpose of life, rain soon, all my beets, cucumbers and cakbathat bitter extractive and saline matters being | ges will be good for nothing; and I think all considered as assisting or modifying the func- the ministers ought to pray for rain." tions of digestion-rather than being truly nutritive parts of the compound-and being void- a minister, and that he should be happy to comed with the woody fibre. The woody fibre on- ply with her wish. He accordingly knelt down ly serves to give bulk to the food, and therefore and prayed fervently that the gates of heaven distension which when moderately filled, brings | might be opened—that showers might descend those muscles into active exercise which tend and refresh the earth. He then arose from his so much to promote healthy digestion, by keep- knees, and having thanked his hostess, bade ing the food in constant motion."

'The principal object, then, which is to be almed at in hay making is to retain the soluble when the clouds began to gather, and a tremenportion of the grass in perfect integrity," the modus operandi as briefly as is consistent

scythes of good quality and kept perfectly sharp. to do anything, but they always overdo it!" The grass should be cut evenly and as near to equivalent to two inches above-and, moreover this close cutting facilitates the growth of the after math. As soon as the dew is off, the grass in swath should be shaken up and loosened to ons. Now, every soldier knows how like the let the air penetrate through it-if heavy, it apple of one's eye are these same baggage wagshould be spread around to some distance. As soon as the sun acquires power, the swath should be again shaken up and turned over, the object being to prevent its becoming bleached by the heat of the sun, by retaining its color even when dry enough to rake up into winnows, and thence into cocks—the proper color of well cured hay being a light tea green. This process should be followed up day after day, until the whole crop has been cut and secured. Each day, however, the hay thrown into cock the day preceeding, should, if the weather continues fine, be thrown open and lightly spread to hasten the drying, and towards evening may be put into cocks again until it is hauled to the stack or barn, where it is to be permanently secured. The earlier this is done after the moisture has been evaporated the better the hav will be, and the more certain it is to retain its fine take across myself-nothing, in fact, but a bar-

The newly cut hay must be preserved from the damaging effect of dew and rain. If rain falls upon grass newly cut, the swaths more than I can stand!"

should not be disturbed until fair weather sets

Never meddle with hay either in swath or in cock, during moist cloudy weather, or when a storm is impending.

When sunshine reappears, shake out the hay to dry as quickly as possible, and as soon as it she had just landed a cargo of sugar, taken from is dry, throw it into winnows or cocks. Shake a very rich prize, in rolling it into the yard one them out for an hour or two the next morning, of the hogsheads stove, and a quantity of sugar and then haul all that is cured to the place where it is to be stacked or deposited.

Profit of Sheep.

Paoli Lathrop, Esq., of South Hadley, Mass. stated at a recent Agricultural discussion, as re ported in the Boston Cultivator, that withou regard-to any profit from the wool, a pound of mutton could be made cheaper than a pound of beef, adding that "in fatting sheep, one great advantage was, they could take their grain in a crude state and would thoroughly digest it, whereas the grain for cattle had to be ground, and a sixteenth part paid for that operation. He thought the English mutton breeds of sheep most profitable. His preference was for the Southdowns. They fatten easily, and meat is very fine. It is with sheep as with cattle-the largest breeds are most profitable on rich land, and the small breeds are best fitted for poor

Tomatoes do best when suffered to grow flat on the ground; but in such cases the soil should be injurious to the brain? covered with a mulch of straw or litter to keep the tomatoes from getting soiled and rotten by dampness. Brushwood is an excellent materia for them to lie on, they seem to thrive well with

Stir the soil frequently around plants that are likely to suffer from drouth. Watering should be seldom done, but always thoroughly. Extra cultivation often does more for a crop than patent fertilizers. Manuring with the hoe is advised where other manure is scant.

To add one per cent. of lime to soil that destitute of it, requires ten pounds of slacked lime to six of caustic to the acre.

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Into their camp the valgarians burst;
This way and that way, like centaurs they wheeled
While from the battle shock helplessly recled
Treason's Twelve Handred!

Several who didn't, were knocked on the head; Others, caught up by their soap-locks, were borne Off from the battle ground, captives forlors— Twenty or thirty were "wiped out," and five

Sneaked from the village, much scared, but alive; What of the rest of those Bayards became, Has not been breathed by the trumpet of fame Ill-used Twelve Hundred!

Brave F. F. V.'s, bow your cassions must be fourtered like sheep on that "sacredest soil;" Upset by "mud-sills," unpedigreed looss;
Twelve hundred licked by a troop of dragoons—

Henceforth, O! "Chivalry," be not so proud; If you are panic proof, don't say it so loud; Don't call us Northmen mere "dastardly hordes;" Think! how from forty-five Northerners' swords, Fled your Twelve Hundred:

Though we may not be all "gentlemen born," Don't spon that account laugh us to scorn; Scoffers, believe us, "elite" of the South, Oftentimes laugh on the wreng side of the mouth-Ask the Twelve Hundred!

Look at our muscles, all strong for the right; Look at our eyes, full of terrible light; Though we've no serfs to turn pale at our nod, Yet we can fight for Home, Freedom and God-Four to One Hundred!

A Methodist Anecdote.

A well-known Methodist, who was travelling on horseback through the State of Massachumatter which they do when allowed to attain setts, stopped once, on a sultry Summer day, their full growth and make some progress to- at a cottage by the roadside, and requested some refreshments for himself and beast. This was readily granted by the worthy New Engcottage and partook of refreshment, which was past there had been no rain, and the country "Experiments show that out of the various seemed literally parched up. The minister enconstituents of which grass is composed, the tered into conversation with the old lady, and

"Yes," she replied, "unless we have some

The worthy divine informed her that he was her good day, mounted his horse and departed. But he had not been gone more than an hour, old lady's garden clear out of the ground.

"There," said she, "that's always the way The mowers should be good workmen; the with these Methodists; they never undertake

When the United States army started for Utah. there was a scarcity of transportation, or, in other words, there were too few baggage wagons, drawn, as they are, by six mules, on the long marches across the plains.

A colonel of dragoons, who had command one of the columns, restricted the officers very much in their allowance of baggage, and was most bitter if any one tried to exceed the just

One morning the colonel met one of his captains, (a dragoon, of course,) when he burst out as follows:

"Captain, do you know what these artillers officers want to take across the plains?" "No, Colonel, I do not," said the captain with an inquiring look.

"Well," said he, "if you'll believe me, there's one of 'em wants to take across a box of books!" "Books!" exclaimed the captain; "what next, I wonder? Now, Colonel, I have but little to light green color. The following points are es. rel of whiskey."

"Of course, Captain; anything in reason anything in reason; but the idea of carrying a parcel of books across that stretch, is a little

Revolutionary Anecdote.

Mr. B., a merchant of Providence, Rhode Island, and a man celebrated afterwards for his liberality and public spirit, was the owner of a most fortunate privateer which sailed out of the port of Providence. On one occasion, when fell out. A poor woman in the neighborhood seeing the disaster, ran and filled her apro-Mr. B., from the loft of his store, called out:

"What are you doing there?" "Privateering, sir!" answered the poor wo man, looking up.

The retort was so forcible, that the merchan immediately made her a present of the entire

A drunken youth got out of his calculatio and was dozing in the street, when the bells roused him by their ringing for fire. "Nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen!" cried "Well, if this isn't later than I ever knew

A gentleman who, at breakfast, the other norning, broke an egg, and disturbed the repose of a sentimental-looking biddy, called the waiter, and insinuated that he did not like to have a bill presented "till he had done eating."

A lad asked a physician whether snuff was "No," said he; "for nobody who has any

brains ever takes snuff." The Wheel of Fortune must have originally

selonged to an omnibus, for it is continually "taking up" and "putting down" people. When a young man complains bitterly that a teaspoon of soda. oung lady has no heart, it is a pretty certain

sign that she at least has his. An aged bachelor, being asked if he had eve witnessed a public execution, replied: "No, but I once saw a marriage."

Husbands and letter paper should always be

Fritters of Ment, Poultry, Fish and Praits.

The following is thirty receipts in one:-Put pound of the crumbs of bread to soak in cold water take the same quantity of any kind of boiled or roasted meat, a little fat, which chop in dice rather fine; press the water out of the bread, put in the pan two ounces of butter, lard, or dripping, with two teaspoonsful of chopped onions; fry two minutes, add the bread, stir the meat, season with a teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful of pepper, a little grated nutmeg, if handy; stir till quite hot; then add two eggs, one at a time, mix very quick, and pour on a dish to cool.

Then roll it into the shape of small eggs then in flour; egg them and bread crumb; fry 1860. a nice yellow color; serve plain or with any sharpe or other sauce you fancy.

Innumerable are the receipts that can be made in this way: in fact, from everything that is eatable, and at any season of the year -from the remains of meat, poultry, game, fish and vegetables, using the same amount of Stock Train seasoning. Bread soaked in milk is better. The same can be done with chopped dried fruits, and preserved fruits, using a quarter of a pound more bread; fry, and sift powdered sugar and cinnamon over. Cream may be used for fruits or curds.

They may also be fried in butter, like fritters nstead of bread crumbs.

There is no end to what may be done with these receipts. They may be fried, and when cold, put between paste, cut into nice pieces of any shape and baked. They can be ornamented, and made worthy the table of the greatest epicure, if the bread be soaked in cream, and spirits or liquor introduced into them .- Soyer's Cookery for the People.

A Cure for Diarrhea. Numerous requests having been made to republish the recipe for diarrhora and choler symptoms, which we gave in our paper severa weeks ago, and which was used during the Mexican war with great success, we give it below, with a very important correction of an error made in the first formula, as to the size of the dose to be given:

Laudanum 2 ounces. Spirits of Campbor 2 ounces. Essence of Peppermint 2 ounces. Hoffman's Anodyne 2 ounces. Tincture of Cayenne Pepper 2 drachm Tincture of Ginger I ounce. Mix all together. Dose-a teaspoonful in a

little water, or a half teasponful repeated in an hour afterwards in a tablespoonful of brandy. This preparation will check diarrhosa in ten minutes, and abate other premonitory symptoms of cholera; it has been used with great suc cess, to restore reaction, by outward application Philadelphia Inquirer.

Blistered Feet.

I had for several years two sons at school a Geneva, Switzerland. In their vacation they in company with their tutor, made excursions through Switzerland, Italy, Germany, &c., on foot, bearing their knapsacks containing their necessary wants for a month. They were provided with a small bar of common brown soap and before putting on their stockings turned them inside out and rubbed the soap well into dons shower of rain and hail descended, and the threads of them; consequently they never How is that to be accomplished? We give with such force as to wash the contents of the became foot sore, or had blistered feet. Let our volunteers try it, and my word for it they won't complain of sore or blistered feet.

Rhubarb Wine. The stalks are usually ground and pressed in small portable cider mills, or the juice may be hundred pounds of stalks will make about ten gallons of juice. The custom is we believe to add about a gallon of water to each gallon of juice, and some six or seven pounds of sugar. Put into a cask, leaving the bung out, and fill up as fermentation progresses. When sufficiently worked, bung up. It may then be bottled off a leisure. Isinglass is sometimes used for refining.

-Rural New Yorker. To Kill Cockroaches.

Mix equal quantities of red lead and Indian Meal with molasses, making it about the consistency of paste. It is known to be a certain exterminator of roaches. A friend who was troubled with thousands upon thousands of them rid his house of them in a few nights by the mixture. Put it upon iron plates, and set it where the vermin are thickest, and they will soon help themselves without further invita

Neutralizing Poison.

The treatment of persons poisoned has hitherto been that of a chemical decomposition of the poisonous substances. It is now proposed to correct their effects by another method—that of administering poisons of a depressing character, to counteract those of an exciting one. This is the New Italian practice. Thus laudanum has been neutalized by bella-

Good Venst.

Boil one pound of good flour, a quarter of a cound of moist sugar, and half an oz. of salt in two gallons of water, for an hour. When nearly cold bottle and cork it closely. It will be fit for use in twenty-four hours and one pint will make eighteen pounds of bread. Cure for the Earache.

Prepare a mixture of sweet almonds an audanum, and put it into the ear; or apply a small poultice, in which is put a raw chopped clove of garlic; or, roast a small onion, and put as much of the inside into the ear as you conveniently can.

How to Tie a Bag. Double a string, put it around the bag, and eass the two loose ends through the loop at the other end, then draw one loose end one way and the other in the contrary direction, take one or two turns, and then tie.

Soldiers Bled to Death. In the old war every soldier was advised carry a string, to be tied round a bleeding limb and be twisted tight with a stick or ramrod, until a surgeon could be found. OLD SOLDIER. Top Overs.

milk, one beaten egg, and butter the size of a walnut. Bake in small tin rounds, and they will be excellent for breakfast cakes. Raisin Cake. One and a half cups of cream, one cup of butter, three eggs, one and a half cups of sugar,

Stir together one cup of flour, one of sweet

Cure for Lockjaw. The application of a pounded beet to a wou n the foot or hand is said to be a sure preven tive of lockjaw.

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